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2. INTERVIEW WITH REASONS FOLLOWING:

A. () TELEPHONE RIVEREND DANIEL PASCU WHO
PASTOR ROMANIAN BAPTIST CHURCH CLEVELAND ABOUT TEN DAYS AGO.
STATED PURPOSE CALL WAS TO FIND OUT A POSSIBLE ADDRESS OF
BARBU, WHOM TIKHONOV KNOWS AND WISHES TO CONTACT. TIKHONOV
SPOKE FLUENT ROMANIAN, STATED BORN AND RAISED KALORASH NEAR
KISHINEV. IS SOV CITIZEN BUT CONSIDERS SELF ROMANIAN. INVITED
PASCU ATTEND PERFORMANCE AND ATTEMPT MEET HIM. AFTERWARDS.

WHEN PASCU URGED CAUTION, REPLIED THAT RUSSIAN DANCERS
IN GROUP WERE KNOCKING BELVES OUT MEET RUSSIAN ENIGMES, SO
HELT HAD RIGHT TO MEET "HIS OWN PEOPLE." SAID HE THOUGHT COMPANY
WAS STOPPING IN DENMARK ON RETURN TRIP TO MOSCOW, AND MIGHT HAVE
OPPORTUNITY CONTACT BARBU WHILE THERE. PASCU KNEW NOTHING OF
BARBU BUT PROMISED TRY FIND OUT.

3. CONVERSATION GAVE NO OVER-INDICATION DISSATISFACTION
OR DESIRE DEVCY.

C. PASCU ATTENDED PERFORMANCE BUT WAS COMPLETELY UNABLE

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CONTACT [REDACTED]. ENTIRE COMPANY WAS HERDED ALONG MUSSES RIVER AFTER PERFORMANCE AND LEFT TOWN. PASCU THEN TELEPHONED [REDACTED] AND ADVISED THAT HE ATTEMPT CONTACT [REDACTED] WHICH COMPANY REACHED NEW YORK. MANUILLA SENT MIHAIL BUTARIU WHO ALSO HUMANIAN EMIGRE TO WISCONSIN WHERE BALLET WAS PERFORMING TO ATTEMPT CONTACT. ESTABLISHED FRIENDS AND CORRESPONDS WITH BARBU, AND TOOK LETTERS TO SHOW [REDACTED]. HOWEVER, PUBLIC WAS NOT ALLOWED TO APPROACH DANCERS, AND CONTACT ATTEMPT FAILED.

2. IN NEW YORK, MANUILLA WROTE HIS CLOSE FRIEND POPOVICI TO ATTEMPT CONTACT NEXT. PERHAPS EXAGGERATED LIKELIHOOD DEFLECTION DUE TO "INTUITIVE FEELING" THIS WHAT [REDACTED] HAS IN MIND. EVERYTHING BASED [REDACTED] PHONE CALL TO PASCU WHICH ONLY CONTACT TO DATE.

3. ABOVE INDICATES PROSPECTS LEAST THAN ORIGINALLY HOPED BUT HQS FEELS CONTACT ATTEMPT USING HUMANIAN EMIGRE WELL WORTH WHILE. POA APPLIED FOR TO USE [REDACTED] THIS PURPOSE. CONSIDER NAME UNUSUITABLE FOR ANYTHING EXCEPT INTRO TO [REDACTED].

3. BUTARIU PROVIDED RECENT LETTER FROM BARBU IN HUMANIAN WHICH DISCUSSES HIS ARTISTIC SUCCESS, HAPPINESS IN NEW YORK, HOPE FOR A

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FREE ROMANIA, ETC, AND READS LIKE A LOW KEY DEFLECTION PITCH.

ALSO GAVE POST CARD WITH DESTITUTE BABY ON BACK. COMMENTS OUR
 USE THESE ITEMS IN APPROACH TO YEKHOV. BOTH ITEMS AIRMAILED
 SISTER LYDIA ULLOA. HOME ADDRESS.

4. SUGGEST [REDACTED] ATTEMPT MEET [REDACTED] CITING LATTER'S
 PHONE CALL TO BARBU AND FAILURE OF ATTEMPTS BY BARBU AND BUTARIU
 MENTION HIS PERSONALITY. CAN SAY BUTARIU FORWARDED LETTERS WITH
 REQUEST [REDACTED] SHOW THEM TO [REDACTED]. BUTARIU REQUESTS RETURN
 THESE ITEMS IF POSSIBLE. INFO OBTAINED IN [REDACTED] ON [REDACTED]
 PERSONAL SITUATION AND ATTITUDES WOULD DETERMINE FUTURE COURSE.

5. IF SITUATION SEEMS FAVORABLE SUGGEST AIM FOR DEFLECTION IN
 MEXICO. CABLE HQDC FOR GUIDANCE ON PRESETTLEMENT AND FINANCIAL
 TERMS.

6. IF NO MEET POSSIBLE SUGGEST [REDACTED] WRITE NOTE TO [REDACTED]
 IN ROMANIAN ENCLASING BARBU LETTERS AND EXPLAINING PER PARA 4
 ABOVE. ATTEMPT PLACE IN [REDACTED] BOVKL ROOM, IF POSSIBLE TO
 DO SO WITH MINIMUM RISK COMPROMISE OR MISADVENTURE.

7. IF [REDACTED] UNWILLING OR UNABLE COOPERATE REQUEST STATION
 ATTEMPT NEED ANOTHER SUPERVISOR AUTHORIZED OFFICER. [REDACTED] SITUATION
 AUTHENTICATING OFFICER

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AS WE CURRENTLY KNOW IT JUSTIFIES APPROACH ONLY IN ROMANIAN
 EMIGRE CONTEXT FOR ADDITIONAL ASSESSMENT. DIRECT APPROACH
 BY KUBARKER OR OTHER NON-ROMANIAN ASSET NOT DESIRED.

8. PLS ATTEMPT DETERMINE IF COMPANY ACTUALLY STOPPING DENMARK
 OR OTHER EUROPEAN COUNTRY IN SOUTH BOSCH. IF SO CAN FOLLOW
 UP THERE AND PERHAPS ARRANGE RAKING MEET.

9. VIEW CIRCUMSTANCES FINE. HQS TIN C/O NOT BREKED. HOWEVER,
 SHOULD DEVELOPMENTS WARRANT HQS WILL PROVIDE ANY SUPPORT
 TO RAKING.

END OF MESSAGE

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